

## DISASTROUS FIRE

Old Temporary Court House Building Burned Tuesday morning. Marlinton Journal Office Greatly Damaged.

About three o'clock Tuesday morning, February 21, 1928, the big building at the corner of Court Street and Fourth Avenue, known as the Temporary Court House, was discovered to be on fire. An alarm was made, and the firemen turned out promptly for a stubborn fight of a couple of hours. The building was pretty well destroyed, though the four wall still stand. The fire is thought to have started from a fuse.

The property is owned by L. S. Cochran of Cass. His loss is several thousand dollars, partially covered by insurance.

This was a large double building. One of the first floor rooms was rented by the board of Education for a school room and was used for the first grade pupils. The seats and other furniture and equipment was damaged by water.

The other large room was the office of the Marlinton Journal, owned by Editor W. G. Lancaster. Great damage was done to this well-equipped plant by fire, water and falling bricks. This loss is partially covered by insurance. Fortunately the very expensive linotype machine was so placed that it could be protected, and it suffered little or no damage. A large stock of paper and stationery was a complete loss. Mr. Lancaster has secured quarters in the Greer building, and the Journal will appear as usual this week, though a day or two late.

The second story was cut up into living rooms. Mrs. E. C. Cochran had an apartment there, as did Mrs. H. Irvine and E. A. Irvine. The loss of the Irvine Brothers is something like \$2,000 with \$500 insurance.

The building burned Tuesday morning was one of the first to be erected in the town of Marlinton. The development company built it, to be used as the court house until a permanent one could be erected. It was used as the court house for perhaps three years. Since then it has had many tenants and it has been occupied by drug stores, printing offices, restaurants, jewelry shops, schools and other things.

## FASHION SHOW

Alderson, W. Va.—What to wear and how to wear it—the eternal question in every woman's mind at this season of the year! But seeing is believing, so come to Alderson on Friday, March 2, and see for yourself what Home Fashion has decreed for your particular style of beauty.

The Home Economics Department of the Woman's club of Alderson will "stage" a Fashion Show at the auditorium of the Alderson Junior college on Friday, March 2, at 8 p. m. Admission 10 cents.

Colors suited to blonds and colors suited to brunettes; designs befitting small figures and designs befitting large figures; in fact, everything to delight the heart of the eternal feminine will be exhibited by the models. The show will be staged in three acts. Act I—Afternoon costumes with all accessories, hats, purses, shoes, etc., to match. Act II—Afternoon gowns with all accessories. Act III—A mock wedding, perfect to the last detail, exhibiting the latest in evening gowns and dresses. The committee has penetrated to every phase of modernistic mode and knows the present feminine trend.

## INSTITUTE—GREENBANK DISTRICT

The last day of County Institute for Greenbank District will be held at Greenbank, Saturday, March 10, beginning promptly at ten-thirty. The Free School Diploma Examination will be held on April 5 and 6. C. E. Flynn, County Superintendent.

Special term of the Circuit Court with a grand jury, next Tuesday, February 28.

The George Washington Community party by the Community Club, Womens Club, Four-H Club Leaders, Kiwanis Club and others at the High School gymnasium on Tuesday night was largely attended and a most enjoyable occasion.

## PETTIT JURORS

The following named persons are summoned to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, on the 13th day of March, 1928, to serve as petit jurors for March term of Court. H. Lynn Kincaid, John S. Hannah, Dennis Grimes, Morgan Rader, H. H. Halterman, Albert Perry, James J. Simmons, Andrew Beale, Clyde G. Bussard, Martin Sutton, Winters Morrisok, Hoxie Pugh, Omer Kellison, James O. Campbell, Harper M. Smith, S. C. Galford, Willie Lambert, William Miller, Willie Sheets, George H. Hefner, G. C. Hamilton, W. H. Rider, James Phillips, Ivan L. Sharp, Frank J. Knapp, E. H. Landis, Marvin McLaughlin, C. E. Ramsey, W. M. Wimer, Russell Hannah, Clyde Hevener, Arnold Walte, J. G. Hamrick, L. C. Arbogast, W. H. Young, Clyde Gillespie, Odie Cassell, Henry Beard, M. P. Barr, B. O. Dunbrack, Everett Dille, Penick Underwood, F. C. Pritchard, J. A. Hudson, Edie Kennenton, S. D. Huff, Fred Conrad, W. H. Alderman, Fred D. Sharp, John Young, Jr.

## SPECIAL PRESBYTERIAN SERVICE

On next Sunday evening, the service at the Presbyterian Church will vary considerably from the usual program. It will be a special service, primarily, interspersed with scripture texts both together depicting the life and experience of the Christian from the time of conviction of sin until he is face to face with his reward. Most of the hymns used will be familiar and the congregation will be called upon to assist in their singing. There will also be a variety of hymn singing by the choir. The public is cordially invited to attend and participate in the service.

## POCAHONTAS GIRL LEADS

Montgomery, W. Va.—Miss Reta Rexrode of Minnehaha Springs, Pocahontas county, a student in New River State School has the unique distinction of having made 5 A's on her first semester examination at that institution. Miss Rexrode's record is without parallel at that school. She is the first student to make "A" grade on five subjects. This is all she is carrying. She is a graduate of the Edray District High School, Class of 1921. She has also the further distinction of having graduated at the head of her class.

## SLIDELL BROWN GONE WYING

All our life we have poked fun at the Legislature and the members of the "House of Representatives" and told how many a good man had gone wrong in breaking into the Legislature and now it seems that in our old days should be on road too, and if we are nominated and elected we may have to get a certificate of character and some heavy accident insurance to take us down to Charleston unless we can raise money enough to take our wife along, as long established precedent is a hard thing to overcome.—Randolph Enterprise.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George Burwell, February 9, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Dolpha Sharp near Marlinton; January 25, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beverage, Oooto, January 29, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Antonia Krogel, near Marlinton, Feb. 1, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert C. Dille, Marlinton, Feb. 5, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hiner at Mt. Grove, Feb. 8, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. James Biggs, Marlinton, Feb. 10, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Beverage, head of Stony Creek, February 21, 1928, a son.

Born, January 14, 1928, to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hannah, of Elk, a son, Harry Darl.

Born, February 17, 1928, to Mr. and Mrs. Vee Hannah, of Elk, a daughter, Oia Lee.

Married, on Saturday, February 18, 1928, at the Methodist Parsonage to Edray, Fred M. Burgess and Mrs. Woodside M. Moore, by Rev. Nelson S. Hill.

## WATOGA STATE FOREST

O. O. Notter, District Forester for the Forestry Department, of the State Game and Fish Commission, spent a couple of weeks here estimating the chestnut timber on the Watoga State Forest. He was assisted by H. G. Forsythe, of Pennsylvania. Among Mr. Notter's helpers in the woods were Burton Jones, Brown Miller, H. M. Elmore and Alfred Dixon. The estimating of the chestnut timber of this forest is the preliminary step to putting it on the market. This is made necessary by the blight which has begun to kill the chestnut trees of this region. Some 15,000 poles of various sizes suitable for telegraph lines were listed. There is considerable more chestnut that could be utilized for dye wood.

The Watoga State Forest consists of 4,641 acres of cut over timber land on the water shed of Rock Run and Island Lick Run. It lies below Watoga and opposite Seebert. The timber was cut some fifteen years ago or more. It is a pleasant wooded country. If the blight kills all the chestnut there are enough trees of other kinds on most of the area to make good cover for the game.

The foresters report plenty of game sign in this forest, but a crew that is busy checking and felling trees is most too noisy to see much game. However the party did see five wild turkeys, two deer, four rabbits, thirty three pheasants and seven squirrels. There was a lot of deer sign but very few fox and wild cat tracks. They saw where a bear had been.

Two trails go almost the full length of the Watoga State Forest. On the north side is the trail on the divide between the waters of Chicken House Run and Island Lick Run. Chicken House comes to Greenbrier River something like the third of a mile below Watoga, and the trail leaves the river about the same distance below Chicken House. This trail leads to the settlement on the head of Chicken House. Alfred Dean and L. E. Gaylor live here. A little farther down the Run is the home of Ed Scott, a colored man. Over on the head of Island Lick Joe Bush lives. On the high ridge between Chicken House and Island Lick is the Pyles Mountain school house.

From this neighborhood another trail leads around back to the river along the dividing ridge between Island Lick Run and Rock Run. This trail is in the eastern and southern limits of the Forest. Keep this trail bearing to the right when traveling toward Greenbrier River. This trail comes to the river at the mouth of Island Lick, some half a mile below Seebert. On it are several abandoned farms—the old Pyles, Syms and Miller places.

These trails make about as delightful a winter day's journey as I know of anywhere. It is cut over lands, but the forest is coming back fast. It is surprising how fast the forest comes when protected from fire. These trails follow ridges of an altitude around 3,000 feet and higher. The views are amazingly fine, looking out over the Levels to the west; Beaver Lick Mountain to the east; and other mountains in all directions. Besides the other out of door attractions, the possibility of catching sight of deer and other game is a test.

These trails are plainly marked on the Marlinton Quadrangle of the United States Geological Survey makes. If any reader has a hankering to go exploring on this State Forest, it would be well if he took this map along. If he can't conveniently lay hand on one he can borrow ours. While game is plentiful on the Watoga State Forest, it is not yet a restricted area so far as hunting in season is concerned.

Joe Ramsey, a respected and industrious citizen of Cummings Creek, is seriously ill at his home. His illness is diagnosed as traumatic meningitis, caused by being struck on the head by a small tree while working in the woods for the Marlin Lumber Company. About two weeks ago, while working in the company of Nelson Cundiff, a small tree or sapling was felled, which struck him quite a hard blow on the head. There after he complained of a severe head ache constantly, but continued at work for three days; the condition becoming worse, he rapidly became irrational and finally delirious. But little hopes of his recovery is held out by his medical attendants. His age is 58 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Clive Alderman, of Huntersville, took their eight year old daughter to the Coal Valley Hospital, Monday at Montgomery, Monday, for treatment of an infection of the bones of the leg, following an attack of whooping cough. The child has been ill for about two months.

Monday night was a record breaking cold for that date in February, the thermometer in some sections of the county standing as low as five above zero.

On Tuesday night there was a small fire in the third story of the Beverage property, near the Methodist Church. It was quickly put out.

Rev. Edward S. Vincent, pastor of the Darbin M. E. Church, died at his home in Durbin on Friday, February 10, 1928. A notice of his life will be published next week.

Piston Baxter had his shoulder severely injured by a fall while working on the rebuilding of the taberny, last Saturday.

## CHAUTAQUA

A representative of the Swathmore Chautauqua was here last week and completed the list of fifty guarantors to bring Chautauqua to Marlinton again this summer. The list is composed of the following progressive citizens: H. C. Solter, H. L. Byers, E. O. Rawlings, M. S. Wilson, F. M. Snyder, S. R. Neel, Calvin W. Price, A. E. Smith, Junior Town (by Sam Neel Jr. Town Mayor), Mrs. J. E. Buckley, J. A. Sydenstricker, A. W. Hill, J. H. Miller, F. C. Allen, Ira D. Brill, C. W. Moore, A. C. McCoy, S. B. Wallace, Mrs. M. S. Woodyard, Amos Woodell, June McElwee, H. K. Bright, H. H. Schofield, E. G. Herold, C. S. Kramer, J. C. Haupt, W. C. Householder, B. H. McElwee, E. H. Williams, W. G. Lancaster, Mary Yeager Kincaid, H. G. Thomas, S. J. Rexrode, G. D. McNeill, Harry A. Sharp, Frank King, S. N. Hench, C. E. Danison, J. M. Yeager, D. C. Adkison, W. A. Eskridge, A. H. McFerrin, C. J. Richardson, Wilbur Sharp, C. B. Roman, W. M. Waugh, Z. S. Smith, Jr., Dewey Stemple, B. O. Dunbrack, V. R. East, H. E. Hiner and Ralph Yeager.

Dr. E. R. McIntosh, the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist from Elkins, W. Va., will be at Dr. Solter's office in Marlinton, Friday March 2nd, Saturday March 3rd and Sunday March 4th. Will see patients all day Sunday March 4th who are unable to see me the other two days. Eyes examined, glasses fitted and furnished.

At the Kiwanis Club last Friday night, the speaker was Prof. G. D. McNeill. He entertained by telling some experiences and exploits of his service in the United States Navy.

## CHURCH NOTES

Darbin Charge M. E. South  
L. S. Shires, Pastor  
11:00 a. m. Birth  
2:00 p. m. Bethel  
7:30 p. m. Darbin

## HUNTERSVILLE CIRCUIT

Mack Thomason, Pastor  
11:00 a. m. Mountain Grove  
3:00 p. m. Mount Carmel  
7:00 p. m. Minnehaha

Sunday School attendance, last Sunday—Methodist, 249; Presbyterian, 179.

Word has been received that J. W. Self, news agent on Southern train No. 36 New York and New Orleans Limited, is making a good recovery from a severe attack of flu and pneumonia. He was taken very ill on Tuesday, February 7, just after leaving Greensboro, N. C. He was met at the Union Station, Washington, D. C. by ambulance which carried him to the Emergency Hospital, later being removed to the Casualty Hospital. His wife who has been at his bedside several days, is still with him and expects to take him home soon if he continues to improve. His brothers, A. L. and W. C. Self, have been to see him. Also a sister, Mrs. Dare Elkins and a sister-in-law, Mrs. W. C. Self, all of Greensboro, N. C. Mr. Self is a former news agent on the C. & O. railroad.

Send your news items to Vernon R. East, Marlinton, W. Va., special correspondent for the Charleston Gazette.

Webb Palmer is laid up with a badly crippled foot.

## Atwater Kent Policy

Atwater Kent for the past years has believed in giving every one an equal chance. Recently five men and women were brought into prominence by his benevolent policy.

He is now offering through his dealers an opportunity for every one to own an Atwater Kent Set. Come in and talk the matter over with us and get our plan.

The Peoples Store & Supply Co.  
Marlinton, West Virginia

## RONCEVERTE HIGH SHARPSHOOTERS SCORE

### DUAL VICTORY OVER EDRAY DISTRICT HIGH

The Ronceverte High School won a double-header basketball attraction on the gymnasium court here Saturday, defeating the Edray District High boys 36 to 7 and the girls 21 to 20.

The Ronceverte boys led throughout. The girls game, however, was very close to the last minute of play the Ronceverte girls breaking a tie of 20-20 by a goal during the last few seconds of the game.

### The Lineups:

Boys	Ronceverte
Marlinton	Fos
Edgar	F
Kenney	F
Sharp	C
Hamrick	G
Deering	G
Clifford	G

Substitutions: Marlinton—Rexrode for Sharp; Davis for Deering; Ronceverte—Dougherty for Kaefeth; Woodrum for Grove; Bauphe for

Clifford, Coffey for Bauphe.  
Scoring: Field goals—Kaefeth 5; Vaughan 3; Sawyer 3; Grove 2; Woodrum 1; Edgar 1; Davis 1. Free goals—Woodrum 3; Sawyer 2; Kaefeth 2; Vaughan 1; Kenney 2; Edgar 1.  
Referee: Callison

Girls	Ronceverte
Marlinton	Poa
Rexrode (Virginia)	F
Hill	F
Brill	C
Price	G
Gay	G

Substitutions: Marlinton—Tucker for Price; Ronceverte—Shires for Poa; Wade for Wright.

Scoring: Field goals—Hill 7; Chappler 4; Wright 3; Virginia Rexrode 1; Betts 1. Free goals—Ving 3; Rexrode 3; Chandler 3; Wright 2; Hill 1. Referee: Lansley

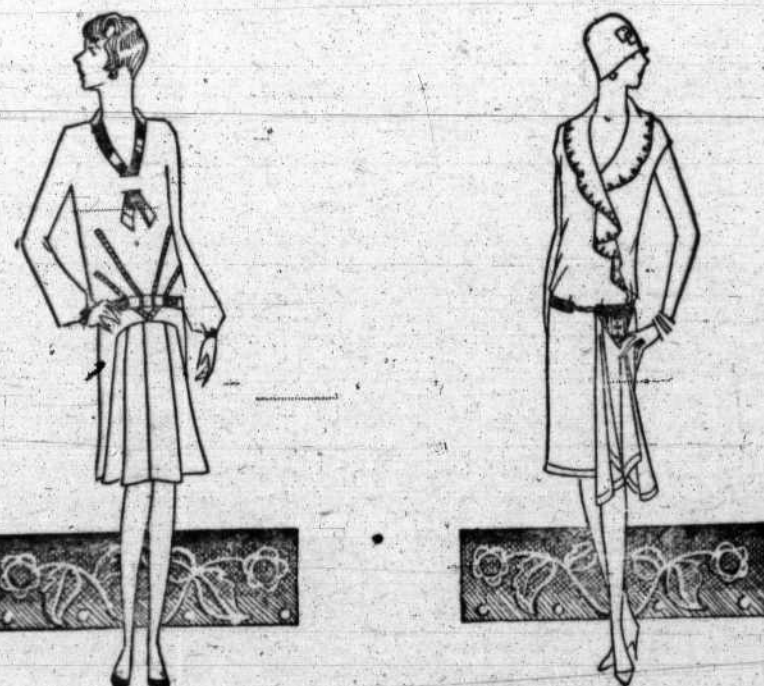
Lock Herold has taken over the dining room and kitchen service at the Marlin-Sewell Hotel.



## JUST ARRIVED

as fresh as the morning dew are these new Spring Coats and Dresses and just as bright too. There seems to be no end to the clever ways in which a dress or coat can be fashioned, for never

have we seen such garments as these.



## February and March Selling Spring Dresses \$10.75 to \$26.75

A story of style—new and correct—is told by the pictures here. We it were possible to show colors and fabrics, too, but suffice it to say that the very latest in style treatments, in shades, and in materials is featured in the finest group of Spring Dresses we have ever had the privilege to offer. You will enjoy seeing them and suggest that you see them soon.

## SPRING COATS \$9.75 to \$29.75

Equal to the showing of Spring Frocks is the magnificent line of Spring Coats we are offering for Spring 1928. Tweeds, Kasha and other popular materials are developed along smart lines. Shades are beautiful novel and correct. You will like these coats and among them is the very coat you want this season.



## Application Blanks

for enrollment in the Boys and Girls or Farmers Poultry Clubs are being sent out to the Four H Clubs and business places, and we will mail blanks to any one requesting them.

If you desire setting eggs from Parks Straia Barred Rocks or Single Comb Rhode Island Reds send us your application in accordance with plan.

The eggs will cost \$1.30 per setting at Marlinton and we make no profit.

## The First National Bank

MARLINTON, W. VA

## The Women's Store

A. S. Overholt, Prop.

Marlinton, West Virginia